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Cover Sheet

Date: 8/23/2022 **VisitType:** Incident Investigation & Follow Up **Arrival:** 4:00 PM **Departure:** 7:15 PM

CCLC-47083

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Quality Rated: ★ ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
08/23/2022	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Good Standing
06/27/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
06/07/2022	Complaint Closure	Good Standing

Compliance Zone Designation - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring history, as it pertains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good standing, support, and deficient.

Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

Support - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.

Deficient - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	A- 1L	Infants	1	6	C	26	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	B- 2L	One Year Olds	1	7	C	24	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	C- 3L	Six Year Olds and Over	1	8	C	25	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	D- 4L	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	13	C	26	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	E- Back Cafe		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	F- Back 1L		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	G- Back 2L		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	H- Back 3L		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	I- 4R		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	
Main	J- 3R	Four Year Olds	2	16	C	23	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	K- 2R	Three Year Olds	1	10	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	L- 1R	One Year Olds	1	8	C	24	C	NA	NA	Story

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 277

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 68

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A- 1L	30	C
Main	B- Back Left	238	C
Main	C- Middle	25	C
Main	D- Right	73	C

Comments

This is an incident investigation follow up visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/23/2022

Any rule violation which subjects a child to injury or life-threatening situation or any rule violations previously cited but not corrected, may result in the imposition of an adverse enforcement action. Serious or continued noncompliance may also jeopardize participation in one or more DECAL program(s).



Please refer to the website, <http://www.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.aspx>, for information regarding October 1, 2018 rule changes about Criminal Records Checks that may affect your facility. In summary,

- New records checks will be required to be completed if a staff member experiences a six month break in service from the child care industry
- New clearance is required at least once every five years
- Any staff member solely responsible for supervising children will be required to have completed a comprehensive background clearance
- All staff members are required to have completed at least a national fingerprint based clearance check
- Any staff member with only the national fingerprint based clearance, must be under constant and direct supervision of a staff member with a satisfactory comprehensive records check clearance
- Facilities are required to use DECAL KOALA for Criminal Records Checks, including to verify portability of an employee



Important Quality Rated/CAPS Update:

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

O.C.G.A. Section 42.1.12(i)(2) requires Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning to notify licensed child care programs on accessing and retrieving from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's (GBI) website a list of the names and addresses of all registered sexual offenders. Please see GBI's website located at <http://gbi.georgia.gov> to access the Georgia Sex Offender Registry.

Refutation Process:

You have the right to refute any of the citations noted in this report with which you disagree. To refute a citation(s), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA www.decalkoala.com with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

Your refutation will be forwarded to the appropriate CCS manager, who will follow up with you about your concerns. If you have any questions about this process, contact our office at 404-657-5562.'

Bright from the Start recommends that all licensed child care providers carry liability insurance coverage sufficient to protect its clients. If you do not have this liability insurance, you are required to post a notice with ½ inch letters in a conspicuous location in the program, notify the parent or guardian of each child in care in writing, obtain their signature to acknowledge receipt and maintain this written acknowledgment on file at the program at all times while the child attends the program and for 12 months after the child's last date of attendance. (O.C.G.A. Section 20-1A-4)

Don McDaniel, Program Official

Date

Dianne Clarke, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Incident Investigation & Follow Up:

	Facility
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591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR) Met

Correction Deadline: 6/27/2022

Corrected on 8/23/2022

.25(13) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the items were observed to not be present. Please ensure that items remain inaccessible to children at all times.

Correction Deadline: 7/21/2022

Corrected on 8/23/2022

.25(3) - The previous citation is in the process of being repaired. Please ensure to dust all vents throughout the building regularly including in the bathrooms and the classrooms

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) Met

Correction Deadline: 7/21/2022

Corrected on 8/23/2022

.26(4) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the gate was repaired and the gap was less than three and a half inches wide. Please ensure that this remains repaired at all times.

Correction Deadline: 7/7/2022

Corrected on 8/23/2022

.26(8) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that there was adequate mulch in the fall zone areas. Please ensure to re-fluff and redistribute mulch daily.

Correction Deadline: 7/21/2022

Corrected on 8/23/2022

.26(9) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the items were repaired. Please ensure that the gate latches leading to the middle playground from the 1L playground at all times.

	Safety
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591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/27/2022

Corrected on 8/23/2022

.13(6) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that there were not field trips since June 27, 2022. Please ensure that all children participating in field trips have evidence of their medical emergency forms.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 requires that each crib shall have only an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant. It was determined based on observation that two beds did not have tight-fitting sheets.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that each crib has an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant.

Correction Deadline: 8/23/2022

Recited on 8/23/2022

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/27/2022

Corrected on 8/23/2022

.32(1) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that there were appropriate ratios observed throughout. Please ensure that ratios are maintained at all times.